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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

In the issue of the News last week we called attention to the amendments to the State Constitution, which amendments are to be voted on at the November election. We are glad to note that some interest has been shown in the matter when special attention was called.

A concise statement on one of these matters has been handed to this editor by Judge A. N. Henson, ex officio County Superintendent of this county, which we are glad to publish. It is to the point exactly.

EDITOR NEWS: Last week you called attention to the indifference of the average voter as to the purpose of the constitutional amendments to be voted on at the general election on November 3.

This indifference obtains as to any proposed amendment to our constitution and is entirely too common. There seems to be a general indisposition toward any change in our organic law, which sometimes works evil towards our interests. Political conditions are continually changing and often it becomes necessary to change certain provisions of the constitution to meet changed conditions. These changes must be made by voting certain amendments or by a constitutional convention, and it is often better and safer for a people to investigate proposed changes and decide them by their ballots than to submit the whole matter to a convention.

I believe that the people should especially investigate and study the amendment to be submitted at the next general election known as that to amend Section 3, Article 7, of the State Constitution, relating to public schools.

This amendment which was submitted by the Thirtieth legislature and incorporated into the Democratic platform at San Antonio provides that common school districts be allowed to levy a maximum of 50 cents on the one hundred dollars instead of 20 cents as at present "for the further maintenance of public free schools and for the erection and equipment of school buildings therein" and further provides that said levy may be made by a majority vote of the tax payers

instead of two thirds as at present.

This right is already extended to Independent Districts and why not to common school districts? It would enable any new district to vote such a tax until it can build, furnish and equip its school building, when it could be reduced to meet only the running expenses of the school. Some one might urge that under full renditions school taxes are high enough at the 20 cent rate. Let us admit that, then it would not be necessary to raise the rate, nor would any district be compelled to do so. But how about new districts? How can they build and furnish school houses when the 20 cent rate is no more than enough to pay running expenses? And how about districts desiring to replace old houses and equipments with new and modern ones?

This tax would enable any district, new or old, to meet emergencies, and can be raised or lowered to meet demands, and as to whether it was taken advantage of or not, would be wholly optional with the district.

I hope to see this amendment secure an overwhelming majority in Randall county. Remember "Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution, relating to public free schools," and leave it unscratched.

A. N. Henson.

IS PROPERTY WORTH PROTECTING

The editor has been thinking about the towns that he knows which compare with ours in size and which do not compare with us in the matter of hustling, get-up-and-get citizenship, and he does not recall one of them that is so poorly equipped in the matter of fighting fires.

We think that it would not be a great cost, and it might save a great amount of property, if the town would buy a light wagon and equip it with ladders, buckets, axes and other things of the kind as would be useful, and keep them in some convenient place so that, in case of fire, we could have something to work with. We feel assured that if we would do this the city would save enough in the reduction of insurance rates in two or three years to pay for the whole outfit. We certainly need it. Some body take the lead.

We heartily endorse the movement which is being urged by the Dallas News, looking to the reclamation of lands in this state which are subject to overflow. Along some of the larger streams and rivers of the state there are large bodies of very fine land which, during times of excessive rains, are submerged and such crops as may be planted thereon at the time are entirely ruined. The News is urging the straightening of the channels and other methods which will help to stop the great amount of damage done annually to these fine lands.

Wallace E. Roberson, editor and business manager of the Panhandle Mirror, of Amarillo, was a caller at this office last Saturday. Mr. Roberson and others are establishing the Mirror and expect to make it a magazine devoted to the upbuilding of the Panhandle country, giving general matter pertaining to the whole Panhandle and not being devoted to any particular town or county. If the ideas of the

editor, as expressed to The News man, are carried out it will certainly fill the journalistic gap in this section of the state.

LET'S HAVE A PARK.

Every city in the United States which has the interest of its people at heart, is striving to its utmost to obtain lands within the city or at least near it for the purpose of a park. When the towns were growing up no attention was paid to such matters and now, in order to acquire any considerable size tract of land it requires an outlay of money that would buy a large tract of land in its younger days.

It occurs to this editor that we should have a park, a place the whole people can help to improve and in the end have a place where the people can go and enjoy themselves. Such a place can be secured at this time at a very small cost to what it will be in the future, and it behooves us to get together and buy a tract of land either in town or near it, plant some trees and make other arrangements concerning the same, so that in future days we can point to it with pride and say, "This is our park." What do you think about it?

Our old friend, R. Aubrey Terrill, has acquired the editorial and business management of the Canyon City News, and in his first issue makes some great improvements in the paper. Aubrey is entirely capable of getting out a good paper and Canyon City is to be congratulated. Away back yonder, more than twenty-five or thirty years ago (more or less according to what ever he has to say about it) Aubrey and this editor were "devils" together in the office of the Denton County News. We learned to set type, chew tobacco, smoke cigarettes, write editorials, "cuss," and discuss politics and many other items useful and necessary for the thorough education of a genuine "print," imbibing our fund of information from such past masters at the art as C. Will Geers, Harry T. Raines, C. P. Grafton, and others of the old school. We are glad to welcome our quondam companion in iniquity back to the fold. He will make this great and glorious Panhandle country a valuable citizen—the more so in his new capacity as editor.—Clarendon Banner-Stockman.

The editor of this paper is glad to say that he did begin his education in a print shop with a "devil" that was just as bad as the editor (Glen) acknowledges it in the above editorial and it seems that the Banner-Stockman editor received a very efficient course of training, judging from his paper. The editor joins hands with him for the upbuilding of the Panhandle.

Down in beer-guzzling Tamaleville, where the democratic convention was held this week, Walker Hall read a resolution favoring the purchase of Palo Duro canyon by the federal government for a national park and game preserve. He was ruled out of order and howled down because he had severely criticized the whiskeyites. The resolution should have been unanimously adopted.—Clarendon Chronicle.

We don't know the reason why the resolution was not considered but the people of this country, who know something of the scenic value of the Palo Duro Canyon, know that it will only be a question of time until these very people will be wanting to get into line and help push the band wagon. The Palo Duro will become a park whenever publicity of its grandeur is had.

Victory For Bryan!

With the same forward movement that Bryan is leading to victory the Democratic forces of the day, to the same extent we are leading to the victory of quality and prices in groceries.

We are making FOR CASH the following

Cyclone Prices

on Groceries. Goods sold on time will be charged at the regular prices.

Wapco Flour (soft wheat).....	\$3.50
Queen Quality Flour (soft wheat).....	3.00
Globe Flour (hard wheat).....	2.75
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10 pound pail Jewel Compound.....	1.00
Dry Salt Bacon.....	12 1/2
Smoked Bacon.....	14
Best 6 pound Bucket Coffee.....	.85
Best Corn, 3 cans for.....	.25
Standard Tomatoes.....	.10
Swift's California Peaches.....	16 1/2
Strawberries, 3 cans for.....	.25
Blackberries, 3 cans for.....	.25
Reboiled Cane Syrup, per gallon.....	.25
Carnation Sorghum, per gallon.....	.40
Competition Syrup, per gallon.....	.45
Royal Sorghum, per gallon.....	.45
Best Georgia Cane Syrup, per gallon.....	.65
Clarette Soap, 6 bars for.....	.25
Swift's Soap, 7 bars for.....	.25

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We are in better position than ever before to make prompt deliveries and, with PROMPT DELIVERIES, coupled with QUALITY and PRICES, we know we can make it to your interest to open an account with us.

Your interest is ours, and we invite you to make our place your headquarters while in town.

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